

# War of 1812

## Historic Sites Tour



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### Michigan Commission on the Commemoration of the Bicentennial of the War of 1812

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Tour date:

**July 16 - 25, 2011**

For reservations and information please contact:

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10 days / 9 nights  
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#### Meals Included:

- 9 breakfasts
- 1 lunch
- 7 dinners

#### Featuring:

- Hull Invasion Site (Windsor, ON)
- Fort Malden (Amherstburg, ON)
- Battle of Thames Site (Chatham, ON)
- Fort Wayne (Detroit, MI)
- Battle of Monguagon Site (Trenton, MI)
- Battle of Brownstown Site (Brownstown, MI)
- Hull's Road Crossing (Monroe, MI)
- River Raisin Site (Monroe, MI)
- Fort Meigs (Perrysburg, OH)
- Fort Stephenson (Fremont, OH)
- Perry Memorial Visitor Center Video Presentation (Put-in-Bay)
- Presque Isle Park (Erie, PA)
- Niagara Replica (Erie, PA)
- Black Rock Area (Buffalo, NY)
- Fort Niagara (Niagara Falls, NY)
- Battle of Lundy's Lane Site (Niagara Falls, ON)
- Laura Secord Homestead (Niagara Falls, ON)
- Brock Monument (Queenston Heights, ON)
- Fort George (Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON)
- Hamilton, ON Historic Sites
- Fort York (Toronto, ON)
- Nancy Island Historic Site (Wasaga Beach, ON)
- Discovery Harbour (Penetanguishene, ON)
- Fort St. Joseph Island (Richards Landing, ON)
- St. Ignace Bridgeview Park
- Fort Michilimackinac
- Mackinac Island Carriage Tour
- Fort Mackinac
- Mill Creek State Park (Mackinaw City, MI)
- Hartwick Pines State Park (Grayling, MI)

*This trip will be escorted by Dr. Jim McConnell, who will make the War of 1812 come alive by sharing fascinating historical commentary each day while we travel on the coach.*



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## *Michigan in the War of 1812...*

The War of 1812 was a defining event in the history and development of Michigan. For three years, from June 1812 to July 1815, the Michigan Territory was on the front line of a conflict between the United States, Great Britain, and the Native American nations of the region —particularly the Ottawa, Chippewa, Potawatomi, and Wyandot.

For the only time in its history, conventional land and naval battles were fought within the boundaries of our state. British forces occupied all or part of Michigan's territory for most of the war, and the residents suffered great physical and economic hardship. Although the end of hostilities resolved none of the issues that had provoked the fighting, the peace resulted in a careful definition of Michigan's boundary with Canada, greater territorial integrity as part of the United States, and the beginnings of large-scale migration and settlement that would, over the following three decades, lead to the development of the state that we know today.

The war fought in Michigan really comprised two parallel conflicts. On one level, American and British military and naval forces clashed in a European-style conflict. But United States forces in Michigan and adjacent areas of the West were also embroiled in a frontier war against Native American groups, most

of which allied themselves with the British and Canadians, though some supported the United States or advocated a policy of peace.

Michigan was a significant battleground during the War of 1812. At least seven land battles and four naval or amphibious actions were fought within its boundaries. Michigan served as a base for the first American invasion of British Canada in July 1812 and was the location of the first major event of the land war, the capture of Fort Mackinac by British and Indian forces in July. Detroit changed hands twice during the conflict, and one of the most famous slogans of American history, “Remember the Raisin,” recalled the fighting and subsequent events that transpired at Frenchtown in January 1813.

The conclusion of the war resulted in the return of those parts of Michigan held by the British. The Treaty of Ghent, which ended the conflict, mandated a postwar definition of the boundary with Canada, a task accomplished in the 1820s. Peace also opened the way for the surveying of the southern part of Michigan's lower peninsula, setting the stage for a rush of settlement by Anglo-Americans in the next three decades. The War of 1812 left its mark on Michigan in many ways, and the bicentennial of that conflict is worthy of observance for its impact on the history and development of our state.



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